

REMARKS

The Official Action January 15, 2009, has carefully considered. The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks. The claims have been amended to be directed to the elected invention. In Claim 43 the non-elected subject matter has been deleted. For convenience and accuracy in entering the amendment, Claims 38-46 have been canceled in their entirety and rewritten as new Claims 47-55. Claims 47-55 are pending in the application.

Objection to Non-Elected Subject Matter

Claim 43 stands objected to due to blank spaces in the listing of compounds and the omission of the word "and" between the last two compounds. Claim 43 has been amended as requested and the objection to the claims should be withdrawn.

Claims 43 and 46 stand objected to as containing non-elected subject matter. In view of the foregoing amendments to Claim 43, the claims have been amended to be directed to the elected subject matter and the objection to the claims should be withdrawn.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge that the application is in condition for allowance subject to the formal matters which have been addressed above. Accordingly, a favorable response from the Examiner is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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